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S. J. R. No. 1

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the associations of producers of agricultural commodities.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Article XVI of the Texas Constitution be amended by adding Section 68 to read as follows:

"Section 68. The legislature may provide for the advancement of food and fiber in this state by providing representative associations of agricultural producers with authority to collect such refundable assessments on their product sales as may be approved by referenda of producers. All revenue collected shall be used solely to finance programs of marketing, promotion, research, and education relating to that commodity."

SECTION 2. That the Texas Constitution be amended by adding an unnumbered transition provision to read as follows:

"TRANSITION PROVISION. (a) For purposes of Section 4, S.B. 607, Acts of the 68th Legislature, Regular Session, 1983, 46 adoption or rejection of the constitutional amendment proposed by Section 1 of S.J.R. No. 1, Acts of the 68th Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1983, has the same effect as adoption or rejection of S.J.R. No. 21, Acts of the 68th Legislature, Regular Session, 1983.

46. Chapter 545.

Additions in text indicated by underline; deletions by [strikeouts]

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"(b) This provision expires December 1, 1983."

SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 8, 1983. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the advancement of food and fiber production and marketing in this state through research, education, and promotion financed by the producers of agricultural products."

Passed by the Senate on June 24, 1983: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed by the House on June 25, 1993: Yeas 102, Nays 24, one present not voting.

Approved June 27, 1983.

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